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24	Delhi	668
25	Goa	169
26	Lakshadweep	19
27	Mizoram	166
28	West Bengal	..
29	Pondicherry	..
30	Chandigarh	..
31	Daman & Diu.	..
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Misuse of free/complimentary passes issued to freedom fighters

249. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) What is the number of free/complimentary passes issued so far to the freedom fighters and the annual financial commitment involved therein; and

(b) whether Government have received any complaints regarding misuse of these passes, if so, what steps are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) A total of 78,107 complimentary card passes each valid for a period of 1 year have been issued to the freedom fighters so far. Ministry of Home Affairs are reimbursing the cost of these passes and the total financial implications are estimated to be of the order of Rs. 50 crores for the last 2 years during which the scheme was in vogue.

(b) Yes, Sir. There have been a few cases of irregularities. These were generally condoned keeping in view the spirit behind the issue of such passes.

Development of roads with loan from Asian Development Bank

250. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amount sanction as loan by the Asian Development Bank for the development of roads in our country;

(b) in what manner it is being utilised; and what is the share of various States; and

(c) what is the criteria adopted in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) One hundred ninety eight Million US Dollars (US $ 198,000,000).

(b) The loan assistance is meant for improvement of both National Highways and State road projects besides procurement of equipment and road sector studies. The statewise